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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Jiang Ji

Application No.: 10/620,715

Group No.: 1723

Filed: 07/16/2003

Examiner: Fortuna, A.M.

For: Defect Free Composite Membranes, Method for Producing Said Membranes and Use of the Same

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity. A small entity statement was already filed.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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| INDEP. | 4 | - 5 | = 0 | x \$ 200.00 | = \$ | | 0.00 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | | | + \$ 0.00 | = \$ | | 0.00 |
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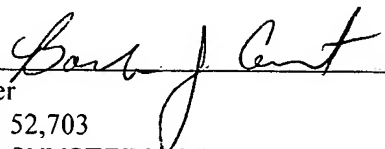
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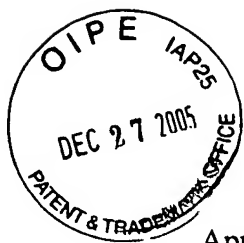
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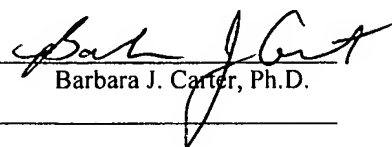


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Response B

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits this response, with a Declaration under 35 USC § 1.132 by Dr. Ji and his *curriculum vita* (Exhibit A), a copy of the Written Opinion from the International Searching Authority for related PCT application PCT/US04/25373 (Exhibit B), in response to the office action dated October 03, 2005, and requests that the following amendments and remarks be entered.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

The Declaration under 35 USC § 1.132 by Dr. Ji is attached hereto immediately following the response.